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Dear Shooting Sports Enthusiast:

As relayed to you in a letter dated June 27, the process of applying for a Maine Range Access Improvement Grant was changed to a formal Request for Proposal (RFP) pursuant to State of Maine Division of Purchases procedure. This change was made to ensure that grant awards would be consistent with applicable regulations and policies. The RFP document as described in the Kennebec Journal Legal Notice of July 17-19, 2013 is enclosed for your use, and is a replacement of the 2013 Guidelines for Participation and Application Packet dated May 30, 2013.

Though the appearance and the process are somewhat different, the elements of grant purpose, objectives and intent, allowable uses and the qualifications of requesting organizations remain the same. The basic information requested in the original packet remains about the same, though the organization of the application has changed. RFP Part IV.B. is meant to more clearly identify Grant Application Contents.

The scoring matrix has been revised and the quality of the project budget is now a major consideration in scoring submittals. Questions must be in writing to the RFP Coordinators listed in the RFP and questions with written responses will be sent to all organizations on the Department's mailing list of shooting organizations as well as other entities requesting the RFP. Deadline for written questions is 4:00 pm, August 5, 2013. Proposals must be submitted to the Bureau of Purchases not later than 2:00 pm, August 14, 2013.

The selection process includes a statewide distribution of awards, which will work as follows: The highest scoring proposal in each of the seven (7) Maine Fisheries and Wildlife Regions (Regions A - G), will be the first 7 proposals selected. A state map with the Maine Fisheries and Wildlife Regions A - G indicated is included in the RFP.

Copies of the RFP can be obtained at the corrected address of: http://www.maine.gov/ifw/rfp.htm or by contacting Walter Stinson or Michael Sawyer, the Department's RFP Coordinators for this project.

Thank you for your consideration.

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